



Order Number: 10-382

ORDER
USDA FOREST SERVICE
SANTA FE NATIONAL FOREST & VALLES CALDERA NATIONAL PRESERVE
STAGE I FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and 36 CFR 261.50(a), the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System lands within the Santa Fe National Forest and Valles Caldera National Preserve as described below in the following counties: Rio Arriba, Los Alamos, Sandoval, Santa Fe, San Miguel, and Mora, within the state of New Mexico. The "restricted area" is described below and depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

PROHIBITIONS:

1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, charcoal, coal, or wood stove.
EXCEPTIONS: (1) fires are allowed within a Forest Service provided metal fire ring or grille in a developed campsite or picnic area listed within Exhibit A and (2) LPG-fueled stoves, lanterns, or heating devices which meet the fire underwriter's specifications for safety and can be turned on/off are allowed so long as used in an area that is barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable materials within 3 feet of the device. **36 CFR § 261.52(a)**
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site/improved site or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials. **36 CFR § 261.52(d)**
3. Possessing, discharging or using any kind of firework, or other pyrotechnic device. **36 CFR § 261.52(f)**

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to Title **36 CFR § 261.50(e)**, the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with a Forest Service or Valles Caldera permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

RESTRICTED AREA:

All National Forest System lands, roads and trails within the Santa Fe National Forest and Valles Caldera National Preserve in the counties of Rio Arriba, Los Alamos, Sandoval, Santa Fe, San Miguel, and Mora, within the state of New Mexico (Exhibit A) EXCEPT for the Pecos Wilderness and San Pedro Parks Wilderness areas; the named Wilderness Areas are still subject to Regional Closure Order R03-001.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is for the protection of public health and safety.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order will be in effect on the date signed and shall remain in effect until rescinded or until December 31, 2013, whichever event occurs first.
2. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations or by imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. [**Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3559, 3571 and 3581**]
3. This Order supersedes, rescinds, and replaces any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order and is in addition to Regional Closure Order R03-001.

Done at Santa Fe, New Mexico this 14th day of May, 2013.

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